

31511



31511

"THE WILL IS THE DECIDING FACTOR IN SUCCESS
BECAUSE THE WILL DETERMINES ACTION
AND ACTION MEASURES LIFE."

Ray Graham, Ass't. Supt.,
Public Instruction, Director
Special Education, State
Of Illinois.

From the text of his speech at the Annual
Illinois Gizz Kids Wheelchair Basketball
Banquet, 1956.

HISTORY OF DELTA SIGMA OMICRON

The seeds of D.S.O. were first sown at the former Galesburg Undergraduate Division of the University of Illinois in 1948, when Tim Nugent, Director of the Rehabilitation Program, realized that a more inclusive program than just physical rehabilitation was needed.

In the spring semester of 1949, Delta Sigma Omicron became incorporated under Illinois State laws. It was during this semester that the first National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament was sponsored by D.S.O. and the National Wheelchair Basketball Association was founded. Bowling, swimming, therapies, and academics were enlarged upon.

At the end of the spring semester of 1949, Tim and the rehabilitation program were allowed to move to Champaign-Urbana and the main campus of the University of Illinois. At Champaign, ramps were built leading into class buildings as well as living quarters in the P.G.U.s, Stadium Terrace for married students, and Lincoln Avenue Residence Hall for the girls.

At Champaign-Urbana new sports such as baseball and football were added to the others as means of physical rehabilitation. In 1951 with the advent of more girls in the program, square dancing was started. In 1951 D.S.O. again sponsored the National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament.

In the fall of 1951, an annual banquet was begun and proved a big success for both old and new members. This school year was a year filled with various activities which included entering the Ugly Man Contest, the Mother's Day exhibition, and the Home-coming Stunt Show.

In the spring semester of 1953, a Driving Survey Committee and a Hospital Visitation Committee were organized. It was this year that the Gizz Kids finally won first place in the National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament in New York.

(Continued)

In the past two years the organization has forged ahead realizing many improvements from the remodeling of Tim's office to the remodeling of the Math Building. There has also been a Beta Chapter organized at the University of Florida. The Beta Chapter has promoted wheelchair sports and other disabled student activities.

The seeds of Delta Sigma Omicron have sprouted with remarkable vigor. They have weathered the drought and the floods to grow to sturdy plants which will continue to grow to infinite heights.

MOTHER'S DAY VICTORY

Delta Sigma Omicron won first place in the Mother's Day Display Contest sponsored by the Illini Union. The committee was comprised of Sue Breniff, Cynthia Allen, Tom Hein, Bill Donahoo, and Glen Perkins. A special note of appreciation should go to Glen Perkins who did the designing of the display.

The display depicted campus scenes through 48 slides which were projected on a 2' x 1' screen. This was the second Delta Sigma Omicron entry to win 1st prize in as many entries.

A SCULPTOR AMONGST US

It seems that Tom Hein who has been doodling in clay since he was a child has finally turned his talents to the art of sculpturing. Tom took the blue ribbon in a contest sponsored by M.R.H. His entry was in the freeform class.

CHANGE IN D.S.O. POLICY

During the past year Alpha Chapter of Delta Sigma Omicron has made a great deal of changes in its structure. The old constitution has been dropped in favor of a new one having many changes. Among the changes in the constitution are: the reclassification of active and inactive members; only active members can vote; and changes in rulings on quorum and rules of order.

The by-laws of Alpha Chapter were also given a going over and brought up to date. The main change in the by-laws is a section which states that only active members (those members whose dues are up to date) shall be allowed to participate in DSO. sponsored activities.

Another new policy of D.S.O. is that any D.S.O. property must be let out by a member of the Executive Board and then only to active members.

LAST FLING: D.A.V. PICNIC

Enjoying a last fling before the beginning of classes were the members of D.S.O. at the annual D.A.V. picnic in Springfield last September. We traveled in one bus and some cars and on our arrival, we received a hearty welcome. We were served a delicious dinner on the patio facing beautiful Lake Springfield.

The program in the afternoon included boat rides, swimming, fishing, and various other activities. The boat trips up the lake provided additional thrills and a good sunburn. A band was on hand to entertain us and Andy honored us with a few vocal selections.

The afternoon festivities having been concluded, we were served a delectable supper. After some more chatter and "thank yous", it was off to Champaign. Perfect weather, good food, and enjoyable company made this a day long to be remembered.

WHEELCHAIR FOOTBALL

The 1955 wheelchair football season took on a direct reversal of form over the last. This time it was the blues that took charge as they won all league games.

The first contest was played on an even keel after the opening kickoff. On that kickoff, Jones went 40 yards for the game's only score. The extra point was missed and the Blues won, 6-0.

The second game of the season was the only one that wasn't close. With Matthias, Kaloupek, Doloszycki, and Nosker scoring touchdowns, and Doughty, Matthias, and Nosker adding the extra points, the Blues romped to a 27-6 victory. The lone score by the Whites came on a pass from Jandera to O'Mara.

The third and final regularly scheduled league game was another hard fought battle, with the Blues pulling out an 18-15 last quarter victory. The lead see-sawed back and forth in this, the most exciting game of the season. Nosker scored twice for the Blues, while Matthias picked up one T.D. Morgan and Coggins found the end zone for the Whites, with Dahncke scoring three points on an extra point and a safety.

On November 5, the big game of the year was played between the All-Stars and the Alumni. The "old men" proved they could still battle with the best of them as the Stars were hard pressed to end up with a 21-21 tie.

The scoring opened with Nugent hitting Swift in the end zone for six points. Broeren added the extra point and the scoreboard read: Alumni--7 All-Stars--0. The Stars quickly changed this as Matthias connected with Nosker on a 17 yard effort and six points. Doughty caught the E.P. pass. First quarter score, 7-7.

Nugent tossed five yards to Whitman for the Alumni's second score. Chapman got the extra point, and the half ended with the grads on top by seven.

(Continued)

Matthias skirted end for the second All-Star score, with Nosker adding the P.A.T. The score was tied at 14 all midway in the third stanza. Not to be denied, the Alumni fought back to take the lead on a 30 yard Chapman to Auby aerial. Auby also added the point after touchdown.

Then with just minutes left in the contest, Matthias went off tackle for the All-Star's third score. The big extra point pass was completed to Hein for the final 21-21 count.

BASEBALL

Once again as the spring months approached, the boys began to dig out their baseball gloves and an old blackened softball. This was "Spring Practice" for the Gizz Kids softball team and a good way to ventilate the barracks as many windows crashed before the mighty softball.

The Gizz Kids won all three fraternity games; with Sigma Pi by 16-7, with Phi Sig by 10-2, and with Sigma Nu by 13-0. Dean Nosker won all three games. In the game against Sigma Nu, Dean pitched a magnificent 2 hit shutout, striking out 11 batters in 6 innings. Dean had good support from the team as they banged out 13 runs on 13 hits.

The Gizz Kids didn't have a perfect season, however, as they dropped two games, one to the Varsity Football team by 10 to 4, and one to a group of their roommates from the P.G.U.s by 9 to 3. It was this latter game which the Gizz Kids really hated to lose. They never did hear the end of it from their roommates.

GIZZ KIDS TOP BATTERS

Broeren --- .625	Doloszycki --- .375
Malone ---- .600	Arnold ----- .300
Jones ----- .555	Whitman ----- .300
Nosker ---- .385	Karr ----- .278



Tournament game against New York. Jerry Morgan is in the foreground and Bruce Karr holds the ball.



Jump ball in tournament game against New Jersey.



Dads' Day football game between All-Stars and the married men. Picture shows John Auby, Gig Broeren, no.90, Jerry Morgan, and Marlan Doughty. Ref is Ralph Edwards.

BASKETBALL

The Illinois Gizz Kids had a rough time last season in basketball. New eligibility rules plus the graduation of many stars from the previous year made the Gizz Kids more or less a rookie team. Most of the time there were three freshmen playing. The skills and experience gained by these freshmen are sure to lead to a championship team next season.

The team's 55-56 season record was 5 wins against 7 losses.

Illinois 22-St. Louis Jets 20

The Gizz Kids opened the basketball season with a squeaker against the Jets at home. The game was a see-saw battle all the way with both teams showing early season greenness. High scorer for the Gizz Kids was Glen Perkins with 6 points followed by Bob Arnold with 5.

Illinois 30-Cleveland 12

Playing their first away game the Gizz Kids showed much improvement. Bob Arnold sank 5 of 15 shots from the floor to lead Illinois scoring with 10 points. Tom Jones was second in scoring with 5 points.

Illinois 16-K.C. 49

In its third game of the season, Illinois met Kansas City which proved to be a strong team and an Illinois nemesis all season. Kansas City capitalized on all Illinois mistakes which were too many. These mistakes plus very poor shooting humbled the Gizz Kids to a 49-16 defeat. High scorers for Illinois were Bob Arnold and Marlan Doughty with 4 points apiece.

Illinois 18-St. Louis Rams 25

On January 14, 1956, the Rolling Rams rolled into Champaign and kept rolling right through the game. The

(Continued)

Gizz Kids were hurrying their shots too much and did not take advantage of the Rams' mistakes. Illinois also had only 5 foul throws making 2. Top scorer for the Gizz Kids was Marlan Doughty with 7 points.

* * * * *

ILLINOIS TAKES ANNUAL TOUR

Illinois 22-Kansas City 41

Traveling to Kansas City, the Gizz Kids took on K.C. for their first game on tour. Once again K.C. proved too much for the Gizz Kids as they smashed out a 41 to 22 victory. Tied for high scoring for Illinois with 4 points were Dean Nosker, Bob Arnold, and Marlan Doughty.

Illinois 26-Kansas City 44

In the second tour game with K.C., the Pioneers again whipped Illinois 44 to 26 with K.C. equaling their season average against Illinois of 44 points. Illinois looked much improved in this game but K.C. was red hot that night. Marlan Doughty was top scorer with 9 points followed by Captain John Auby with 8 points.

Illinois 34-Omaha 20

The Gizz Kids finally caught on to themselves at Grinnell, Iowa, as they defeated Omaha 34 to 20. The Gizz Kids sank 31% of their shots from the floor to capture the victory. Bob Arnold shooting at a 50% clip from the floor and from the free throw line was high scorer with 14 points. Captain John Auby scored 10.

Illinois 32-St. Louis Jets 21

Playing in St. Louis with the cheerleaders stranded in Grinnell, Iowa, the Gizz Kids were still able to win 32 to 21. The Gizz Kids showed good depth in their team with 8 men breaking into the scoring column. Dean Nosker scored 10 points to be high scorer.

(Continued)

Illinois 22-St. Louis Rams 33

Playing before a large crowd at Kiel Arena in St. Louis, the Rams put on a third quarter drive to beat Illinois 33 to 22. Captain Jim Greenblatt of the Rams led the games scoring with 10 points. Marlan Doughty was high scorer for Illinois with 9 points.

Illinois 22-California 31

Illinois, playing its worst game of the season, was defeated in Chicago by California. The Gizz Kids just couldn't seem to get started in this game. Topping the scoring column for Illinois was Bob Arnold with 6 points.

Illinois 43-Cleveland 21

In its final home game of the season Illinois scored its most points all year in defeating Cleveland 43 to 21. John Auby led the scoring with 14 points with Dean Nosker and Glen Perkins each getting 8.

TOURNAMENT SCORES

Illinois 24-New Jersey 33

Illinois lost its first game of tournament play to New Jersey 33 to 24. New Jersey, the second standing in the Eastern Conference, displayed some fancy set shooting by Sloodsky. The Gizz Kids showed flashes of being a championship team but could not play consistently well. On the other hand, New Jersey showed a remarkable consistency for shooting set shots behind some perfect screens. New Jersey went on to take second place in the tournament.

Illinois 33-New York Spokesmen 37

In a consolation game, the New York Spokesmen led by John Bianco edged out the Gizz Kids 37 to 33. The game was a tight one all the way between two evenly matched teams. Foul shots are probably the major rea-

(Continued)

son for New York's victory. New York, and in particular John Bianco, sank foul shot after foul shot while Illinois made only 7 of 20 attempts. All 7 foul shots were made by Dean Nosker who led the scoring with 21 points. (Dean is captain next season and Illinois should be much improved.)

Illinois 44-Chattanooga 19

In a practice game against Chattanooga, the Gizz Kids showed some good teamwork. Led by John Auby's 16 points and 10 points each by Glen Perkins and Dean Nosker, the Gizz Kids had little difficulty.

D.S.O. BANQUET

The highlight of the D.S.O. 1955-56 calender was the annual banquet held on Saturday, October 16, in the ballroom of the Illini Union.

The festivities really began in the morning with a tour of the campus followed by a buffet lunch at the Student Rehabilitation Center.

The members and their parents attended the Illinois-Iowa State football game in the afternoon.

The theme of the banquet was a D.S.O. salute to the Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and the guest speaker was Dr. E. C. Cline, Director of the Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation.

Ken Anderson officiated as master of ceremonies and presented the Service Award to Chuck Chapman and the Achievement Award to Les Blankenship and Jack Torrence.

The evenings entertainment included dinner music, piano selections played by Marge Nelson, trumpet solos by Tom Jones, solos by Andrea Hanson and Mike O'Mara accompanied by Ruth Keller.

Sigma Signs' Casebook of Great Crimes

Number 37 in a series

Case file #35485

Nugent, Timothy J.

aliases: T. J.; Nugent; Ace; Tim; Stinky; Great White Father.

Preliminary investigation by the Social Committee disclosed a long list of crimes and sundry misdemeanors on the part of the accused. Subject was held to be arraigned before the grand jury the night of April 27, 1956.

When the accused was confronted with indisputable proof of his crimes, he made full confession. The subject also disclosed many crimes not ascribed to him; the horrible affair of the red lantern, the despicable case of the wet mitten, and the abominable matter of the abdominal adhesions.

The membership adjudged him guilty, but because of his full and unqualified confession and his promise of good behavior, sentence of a two weeks meal contract at Mens Res was suspended.

Case closed.

Donald Glyn
Prosecuting Gimp

Sigma Signs Staff

Editor --- Marty Burnham
Ass't Editor --- Phyllis Voy
Sports --- Tom Jones

Activities -- Don Glyn
Katie Niemeyer
Jan Kressin



D.S.O. membership: Front row (L to R): Katie Niemeyer, Pek, President, Andrea Hansen, Secretary, Perry Person, row: Phyllis Voy, Jan Kressin, Mary Lou Meinert, Doroh lows, John Gorrell, Ruth Keller, and Marty Burnham. Tl Glyn, Frank Doloszycki, Dean Nosker, Chuck Dahncke, an Don Doney, Tom Hein, Bill Wilkin, Tim Nugent, Faculty o Crooks, Marjorie Nelson, Jane King, and Edward Ausmus. son, Allan Antonini, John Auby, Linda Ayers, Marvin L.E Marlan Doughty, Robert Freres, Joseph Ganns, Ray Hunt, G Morgan, Jane Murphy, James Olden, Mike O'Mara, Glen Pek Whitman, Pat Wiggins, John S. Young.

*Treasurer



onnie McManus, Fran Luther, Ed Whitehead; Bob Kalou-
 ice-President, Kay Howard, and Carole Hall. Second
 Huisinga, Cynthia Allen, Chuck Stenberg, Glen Bel-
 row: Bernard Shufelt, Ralph Patzke, Tom Jones, Dan
 -Cy Thomas. Standing are Bruce Wiemer, Lola Lange,
 sor, Bruce Karr, Tom Williams, Jim Stewart, Clarence
 t in the Picture: Bruce Aldendifer, Kenneth Ander-
 ron, Sue Breniff, Paul Brown, Leo Clay, Randy Coggins,
 bert Jandera, Bonnie McManus, Marie Monica, Jerry
 as, Fred Springe, Sheldon Wachler, Don Wahle, John

GIZZ KIDS ATTEND NATIONAL TOURNEY

Once again the Gizz Kids basketball team was invited to the National Basketball Tournament. This year the tournament was held at Glenview Naval Base in Chicago. The whole team and all the cheerleaders attended the tournament.

All the team members stayed in specially ramped barracks while the cheerleaders stayed in a swanky hotel. The girls didn't spend too much time at the hotel, however, they were always at the base watching the games and the sailors.

Although we lost our first game with New Jersey, the boys stayed around to play consolation and exhibition games and to watch the other tournament games. The cheerleaders decided to cheer for other teams after the New Jersey loss and chose to cheer for K.C.

On the night before the finals, most of the players and cheerleaders gathered together at the Enlisted-men's Club along with the members of all the other teams. Everyone had a great time and the night will always live in our memory.

On the day of the finals everyone involved in the tournament piled into busses and trucks and headed for the International Amphitheater in downtown Chicago. The whole group traveled as a military convoy and it seemed funny to travel right through red lights. Everyone had a good time watching the final two games at the Amphitheater and then went up the block a bit to the Saddle and Sirloin Club where a delicious chicken dinner was waiting. The dinner was elegantly served and was, indeed, delicious.

After dinner speeches were topped off by a very inspirational speech by Jesse Owens. Top members of the 52 Association, our hosts, also spoke. When the All-American teams were announced everyone was glad to see Gizz Kid Captain, John Auby, elected as a member of the Third String All-American Team.

(Continued)

Finally, the time for heading back to Champaign rolled around. After many handshakes, thank-yous, and goodbyes to the many new friends we had met, we left Chicago, weary but happy.

GIZZ KIDS TAKE ANNUAL TOUR

Between semesters the Gizz Kids basketball team and the cheerleaders took off in the "Blue Bulls" for their annual tour. But this year the "Bulls" were "gimpy" and after going only 30 miles, the team's bus broke down and the cheerleaders' bus had to go on alone. This proved to be an omen of things to come as bus trouble plagued the trip.

The busses pulled into Kansas City in the middle of a blizzard. Though the team dropped both of its games with the K.C. Pioneers, a great time was had by everybody. Trips were taken to the museum and to the Sports Show but probably the most trips were taken down the hall in the hotel to Tex's room where nightly "bull sessions" were always in progress. Nobody seemed to know much about Tex except that he sure was a nice guy. Good times were also had in the restaurant across the street where the musical trio was continually dedicating songs to the group.

Well, finally the time came to travel on to Grinnell, Iowa, for the game with the Omaha team. Once again the bus carrying the team faltered and we limped into Grinnell "on a wing and a prayer." We beat Omaha but the team had to leave the cheerleaders and the "gimpy" bus behind and head for St. Louis. There was nothing worse than being stuck in a little town like Grinnell where they pulled in the sidewalks at sundown. The girls managed to have fun reading diaries and the three marooned boys seemed to keep busy trying to hear what the girls were reading.

(Continued)

Finally the good news came for the cheerleaders. Their bus had been fixed and they could head for St. Louis. Meanwhile the Gizz Kids had defeated the St. Louis Jets. The cheerleaders arrived in St. Louis on the day of the big game with the Rams which was a preliminary game to a professional basketball game between the St. Louis Hawks and the Philadelphia Warriors. Sadly enough both St. Louis teams won but most of all everyone had a good time.

After the Rams' game, it was off to Champaign to pick up books and then up to Chicago to play California. The California team caught us on one of our off nights and gave us another defeat. The game was played at Great Lakes Naval Base and the cheerleaders looked real cute in their navy hats. Everyone hated to leave the Navy's hospitality but after the game the group went to a gala party put on by Blanch Osborne of the Chicago American and her cute sidekick, "Corky". The next morning it was back to Champaign and another semester of work.

!!! ----- WE'RE PROUD OF OUR ALUMNI ----- !!!

The average starting salary over the eight years of our Program is \$3399.62. Salaries five or six years ago were considerably lower and many of our graduates accepted positions of a lesser income because they had the greater future or because they desired certain experiences or additional training.

The average salary of graduates as of the fall of 1955 was \$4402 per year. Evidence has already been received to elevate this average salary to close to \$5500 per year, including one or two exceptionally low salaries by choice of the individual. It is also true that graduates of the past June and August are now beginning in excess of \$4400 per year. Top salary reported was that of a public defender at \$7692 per year.

The study was conducted by Norman T. Laakso, Graduate Assistant in the Student Rehabilitation Center.

AMERICAN LEGION HONORS BASKETBALL TEAM

Over one hundred people attended the annual American Legion Honorary Banquet which was held at the Legion Post 24 Home in Champaign. The evening started off with a tremendous chicken dinner via 'our' John Pope and boy! that chicken sure was good. After dinner the basketball team and the cheerleaders were introduced and next year's captains were announced. Dean Nosker was chosen captain of the Gizz Kids and Ruth Keller will captain the cheerleaders. C.A. Bruggeman, Manager, Sears-Roebuck and Company Department Store, Champaign, presented awards to the outgoing captains, John Auby and Mary Lou Meinert. He also presented awards to the most valuable player, John Auby, and to the most improved player, Perry Persons.

A letter of thanks and appreciation, signed by the members of the team, was given to Gilbert Fink who was the team's equipment manager and a tremendous help to the team. A plaque was given by the Gizz Kids to Mr. Emmerson Dexter for his help to the team in the past year.

The guest speaker for the banquet was Ray Graham, Assistant Superintendent of Special Education in V.L. Nickell's office. Mr. Graham emphasized, "The main idea I wish to leave with you is this: the Will is the deciding factor in success because the Will determines action and action measures life." He went on to say that the Gizz Kids' performance in basketball "is an example of this Will and courage. Competition is valuable in any form of success; but first one must learn to compete with self."

Other guests at the banquet included Dr. Lester M. Dyke, Director, U. of I. Health Service; Robert Nelson, Chicago United Charities official; and George Magers, State Counselor for the Blind. Les Blankenship, Asst Chief, Illinois Division of Vocat'l Rehabilitation a former Gizz Kid star, served as toastmaster.

The evenings entertainment was supplied by the Champaign-Urbana S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. Barbarshop Singers.

CHEERLEADING

A great deal of dry statistical stuff could be written about the cheerleaders, such as organization, rules, etc., only, when a 1955-56 cheerleader looks back on her year with the team, it isn't those things she remembers.

The memories she has are of a wonderful year, lots of fun, and a sense of pride in the sportsmanship of the team.

How about it, girls, do you remember:

The night all 12 appeared in uniform at once? We scared the opposition away! Ticket taking and keeping an eye peeled for gate crashers at the same time? The night the varsity goofed but good, with four going off the floor in one direction, the fifth in the other? Don't forget Tex and his "wild" parties while at K.C. on tour. Being stranded in Grinnell? How hoarse we were after the tournament? The hand we got when we left the 52 Ass'n Banquet? We wouldn't trade one of those memories for the world, and next year will be better. Come on girls, LET'S GO!

LAKE OF THE WOODS HOSTS PICNIC

Some 30 D.S.O. members and guests braved the dark skies and threatening rain to attend the annual picnic. To the amazement and joy of those who attended, it rained only going to and coming from Lake of the Woods.

Everyone jumped at the opportunity to leave dry land and venture forth on water. It looked rather peculiar to see some fifteen empty wheelchairs lined up along the bank. No one fell in the water completely but Willie's shoe took a swim. Don Glyn pulled his boat up to shore next to the picnic table and asked for



Everybody enjoys a picnic.



Jan and Jackie.



"Studying" are Tom Jones, John Gorrell, Glen Bellows, and Bill Wilkin.



"'Baby-face' Nugent," alias Mike O'Mara.



Editor loafs with Chuck Stenberg.



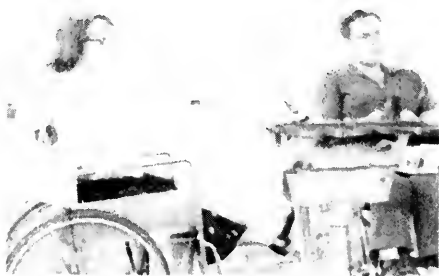
Carole Hall and nonchalant therapist, Casey Clarke.



Frank Doloszycki and Tom Jones really enjoy M.R.H. food.



Jan's birthday party was really a surprize.



Pat Wiggins and John Gorrell cook their supper.



Tim Nugent, "This is your life." Don Glyn is "M.C."



"Steak and Shake on the Lake."



"All right, boys, let's" says Mary Lou as Phyllis looks on.

a "Steak and Shake on the Lake." He got served. It appears as if Willie will take more heed of women drivers from now on, especially when he's in the same boat with one.

The food was excellent even though there were some rather strange methods employed in making it. Katie Niemeyer washed the potatoes for the salad at 2 o'clock in the morning in the lavatory of L.A.R. A lot of credit must go to Katie, however, for coordinating the affair as social chairman.

The weary but happy members sat around the fire after supper and talked with all their energy spent and then it was time to leave and return to civilization. No one objected as they pictured that nice soft bed waiting for them.

ANNUAL D.S.O. PARTY

On April 27, 1956, many weeks of planning were brought to an end with the annual D.S.O. party. This year it was held at the American Legion Hall in Urbana.

Main attraction of the gathering was Tim Nugent who was the outstanding character in a "This is your life, Tim Nugent" presentation. Tim delighted the audience with tales of his college escapades and "Red Lanterns". One of the highlights of that program was the presentation to Tim of the door to his future office - a manhole cover. Another was the many telegrams he received from his former classmates.

After the program, Bernard Shufelt, graduate student and D.S.O. President, announced his engagement to Miss Ann Thiemann. Miss Thiemann is originally from Germany and is now residing in Mattoon, Illinois.

In all, the evening was spent eating, drinking, singing, and just having fun.

D.A.V. BANQUET

On April 21, Tom Jones, Andrea Hansen, and Ruth Keller went to Springfield to entertain at the D.A.V. banquet. Miss Joan Timbel, Assistant Head Resident of L.A.R., served as chaperon. While there, the group stayed in the pleasant surroundings of the Leland Hotel where the banquet was held. Tom acted as master of ceremonies for the entertainment portion of the program. He also played a trumpet solo which was well received. A humorous note was added by a reading given by Tom. Andrea sang three songs for which Ruthie provided excellent background, acting as accompanist. The audience indicated by their applause that they enjoyed the program very much. After the banquet, the group was invited to the D.A.V. Clubhouse on Lake Springfield where a good time was had by all.

They enjoyed their stay there very much, but this trip, as all good things, had to come to an end, and Sunday morning they returned to Champaign.

MEMBERS OF DELTA SIGMA OMICRON

Alpha Chapter:

- Cynthia Allen - She will only be happy in a handcontrolled car.
- Al Antonini - With a song in his heart and his hair in his eyes.
- Bob Arnold - Colonel Arnold fought the only "navy" engagement ever waged in K.C.
- John Auby - From now on he'll be a captain in industry.
- Linda Ayers - You're just too late to get a date with her.
- Glen Bellows - "Animated Dimples".
- Sarah Blacher - It isn't the jokes that make Sarah funny ---- it's her answers.
- Sue Breniff - She never rides alone.
- Paul Brown - A good talker makes a good lawyer.
- Marty Burnham - The Keyhole Casanova! It wasn't too bad until they set off a flash bulb.
- Leo Clay - There's a Rainbow in his future.

Randy Coggins - Speaks Virginian. Wish he would learn English.

Clarence Crooks - Who would be a lawyer with a moniker like this?

Chuck Dahncke - He's rea-----ly satisfied.

Frank Doloszycki - Says he studies at L.A.R. We wonder.

Willie Donahoo - When Willie's ordered to win first prize he always comes through.

Donald Doney - He likes football; only comes to school in the fall.

Marlan Doughty - Likes to take long walks in the snow.

Marilyn Dunn - Soon she will be leaving us for greener pastures where old seniors go.

Gene Emmerich - A real good guy----

Bob Freres - ♣ ♣ From the land of sky blue waters comes the Gimp refreshing. ♣ ♣

Don Glyn - An expert at forging telegrams.

John Gorrell - A bit shy but willing to get over it.

Carole Hall - That Arkansas drawl really lays 'em down in rows.

Andrea Hansen - The girl that black Pontiac waits for.

Dick Hayden - He's one engineer who's not flunking out.

Tom Hein - He checks the numbers, the cute numbers.

Kay Howard - A miniature Marilyn.

Dorothy Huisinga - She keeps our average up.

Ray Hunt - You have to hunt for Hunt if you want him.

Gilbert Jandera - "Early to bed, early to rise...."

Liz Johnson - She returned "down among the sheltering palms."

Tom Jones - If they ever stopped printing "Playboy" Tom would become illiterate.

Bob Kaloupek - Now he's kissing the babies in Grinnell.

Pete Karl - Disappeared and left Perry with Mike.

Bruce Karr - Loves that color, red.

Ruth Keller - Took up modeling in Grinnell.

Jane King - Time, tide, and the bus wait for Jane.

Janice Kressin - Ask Jannie, "What time it is already yet?"

Lola Lange - "Whatever Lola wants -----."

Fran Luther - Chief "Navy" inspector.

Frank Malone - Frank's really cleaning up these days; in baseball that is.

Ken Matthias - The Blues will miss "Ace".

Bonnie McManus - Loves to play hockey.

Mary Lou Meinert - She's a cheerleader who's always cheerful even when breaking someone's arm.
 Marie Monica - A New Jersey Wheeler.
 Jerry Morgan - Fools the girls with his country manner.
 Marge Nelson - Dig that girl on the overgrown tricycle.
 Katie Niemeyer - She has the chemistry department trained.
 Dean Nosker - Bids "Adios" to Prehns.
 Jim Olden - "On, King, you dumb dog."
 Mike O'Mara - The baby with the red mustache.
 Ralph Patske - He's the one who "owns" the black Pontiac that's always parked in front of L.A.R.
 Glen Perkins - "Pappy" will be missed by the Gizz Kids next semester.
 Perry Persons - He gets "A"s in double E.
 Don Peters - 5 days of college, 2 days of ???
 Tom Prough - "Tennis anyone?"
 Bernie Shufelt - The "Senator" from the P.G.U.s.
 Chuck Stenberg - Better known as the green Ford in front of Noyes Lab.
 Jim Stewart - Tex is good company on a coffee break.
 Ja-Cy Thomas - "Gone fishin' instead of just wishin'."
 Phyllis Voy - Censor for this issue (She kept finding 3 meanings to the jokes that only had 2).
 Don Wahle - Likes to keep the fire department busy.
 Ed Whitehead - Holds tight to the pursestrings.
 Bruce Wiemer - A real "man-about-town".
 Patricia Wiggins - She left all her work behind and came to the U. of I. for a vacation.
 Bill Wilkin - "Anyone for a strenuous game of hearts?"
 Tom Williams - A stalwart on our team is Triple Threat Williams.
 John Young - "Where you been Jack?"
 Margaret Ann Zagar - Miss Elevator Shaft of 1956.

WE TAKE PRIDE - - - - -

In our many long standing projects and achievements:
The Harold Scharper Achievement Awards, and The
Harold Scharper Service Awards.

Recipients of these awards read like a "who's who",
and include many pioneers among our 'handicapped'
whose achievements are more noteworthy each day,
each year.

The Theodore Lesley Memorial Fund.

Approximately 100 people in Illinois and some
from other states have been served through this
fund program.

Our contributions (over \$13,000.00) to such worthy
causes as the Paraplegia Foundation, Polio Founda-
tion, Cancer Fund, etc., through the media of
our activities and projects program.

Our part in founding the Nat'l Wheelchair Basketball
Assoc. and the Nat'l Wheelchair Basketball Tour-
nament. Over 30 teams, 1000 individuals, have
taken part in these programs, and member teams
have contributed over \$200,000 to worthy causes.

Our sponsorship of many educational, social, re-
creational and sports activities for handicapped
people on the U. of I. Campus and elsewhere.

And these:

Sigma Signs - 8th yr, has international circulation.
Driver Safety Project
Committee on Public Education
Committee on Public Relations
Hospital Visitations Committee

OUR MOTTO: "To exercise our abilities to a maximum so
as to minimize our disabilities, that we may
live most and serve best."

Not failure but low aim is crime.

Ability, not disability, counts.

1956

